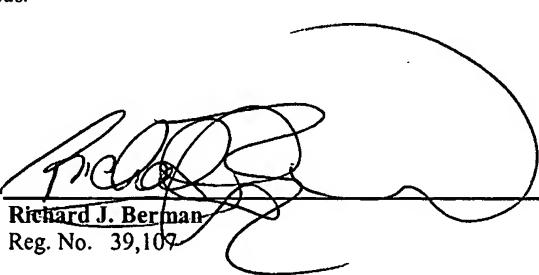


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FORM PTO-1390 (REV 5-93)	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 026220-00055
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		DATE: October 8, 2004 10/509675 U.S. APPLN. NO. (IF KNOWN; SEE 37 C.F.R. 1.5)
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP03/03183	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE March 27, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED April 11, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION: DRUGS FOR THE ARTHRITIS TREATMENT		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Piero DEL SOLDATO (Monza, Italy)		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The U.S. has been elected (Article 31).5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application into English [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)].<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)].9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)].10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)].		
Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none">11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98; and PTO-1449 Form.12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.18. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Specification (70 Pgs.); International Search Report with 13 References; PCT/IB/301; PCT/IB/304		

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<p>21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:</p> <p>Basic National Fee [37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5):]</p> <table> <tr> <td>Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO.....</td> <td>\$950.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482).....</td> <td>\$750.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO [37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)].....</td> <td>\$790.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) or international search fee [37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)] paid to USPTO.....</td> <td>\$1,110.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4).....</td> <td>100.00</td> </tr> </table>				Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO.....	\$950.00	International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482).....	\$750.00	No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO [37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)].....	\$790.00	Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) or international search fee [37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)] paid to USPTO.....	\$1,110.00	International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4).....	100.00	CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)].				\$											
Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate												
Total Claims	9 - 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00	\$											
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Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)			+ \$300.00	\$											
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$ 950.00											
Reduction by one-half for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity statement must also be filed. (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). -				\$ 475.00											
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment [37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)]. The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). <u>\$40.00 per property</u> +				\$											
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NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.															
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